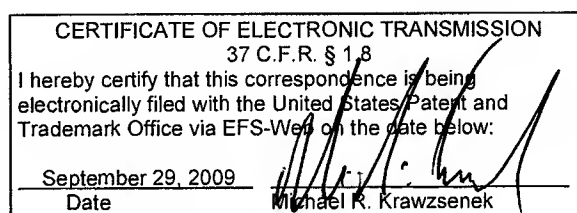


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RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION MAILED MARCH 30, 2009

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Applicant submits this Response to the Office Action mailed March 30, 2009 ("Action"). A petition for a three-month extension of time and the corresponding petition fee are being concurrently filed. If needed, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct any underpayment of such fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 with the filing of this paper from Fulbright & Jaworski Deposit Account No. 50-1212/ESSR:094US.

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